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Title: DEVICES AND METHODS FOR PERFORMING ARRAY BASED ASSAYS

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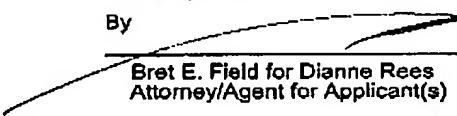
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Respectfully submitted,

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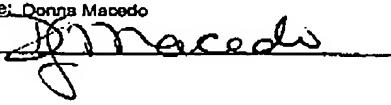
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Dear Sir:

This reply is responsive to the Office Action dated August 25, 2005 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before November 25, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. In view of the amendments and remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.